



Baccalaureate Degree Plan

NCCCS Associate in Arts *or* Associate in Science
transfer to

East Carolina University, **BS Birth Through Kindergarten (B-K) Teacher Education**

Transfer students must have completed at least 12 s.h. at East Carolina University with a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 to declare Birth Through Kindergarten (B-K) Teacher Education as their major.

Prior to enrolling in selected courses, all BK majors must be admitted to the Upper Division of Teacher Education. Requirements for admission to upper division include, but are not limited to,

- satisfactory scores on all parts of PRAXIS Core,
- a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7,
- and demonstration of computer competency.

In addition, BK majors must achieve a minimum grade of C (2.0) in all courses required for the major. Students earning less than a C (2.0) in a prerequisite major course must repeat the course before the subsequent upper-level course may be taken.

A semester-long internship is the culminating experience for BK Teacher Education majors. Applications for admission to internship (HDFS 4324, 4325) must be submitted to the internship coordinator one year prior to the semester in which the student will complete internship requirements. Prior to internship, BK majors must have completed the following courses with a minimum grade of C (2.0): HDFS 1103, 2000, 2001, 2123, 2124, 3150, 3306, 3321, 3715, 4121, 4122, 4123, 4200, 4201, 4300, 4320; EDTC 4001; EDUC 3002, 3200; READ 3301; SPED 2000. Students who successfully complete all requirements and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7 are recommended for BK licensure. A minimum grade of C (2.0) in internship is required for licensure. Additional information about upper division, internship, and NC teacher licensure can be found in the College of Education section of this catalog and in the handbook, Welcome to Teacher Education.

The birth through kindergarten (BK) teacher education program is offered both on-campus and online.

Online delivery is designed as a 2 + 2 degree-completion program that is administered in cohorts.

To be admitted to a distance education (DE) cohort, individuals must first be admitted to ECU and contact the DE coordinator for admission to the BS BK DE cohort. Criteria for admission to the BS BK DE cohort include

- completion of all general education requirements,
- passing scores on all parts of PRAXIS Core (or designated SAT or ACT scores,)
- computer competency, and reliable Internet access.

The BS in BK teacher education program requires on-campus attendance for orientation, admission to upper division interviews, and senior-year internship seminars.

As a transfer student, it is important to contact an ECU Academic Advisor, hnpadvising@ecu.edu, as soon as possible.

An example of how to plan your first 2 years of the traditional 4 years of study is included at the end of this document. However, depending on when you transfer and how many recommended courses you take at the community college, it may take longer than 4 years to complete any degree at ECU.

Recommended courses to take at a North Carolina Community College

EDU 161
EDU 216

ENG 111
ENG 112
ENG 231, 232, 241, or
242

HEA 110
MAT 171

PSY 150

- Other courses to complete an AA or AS are student's choice; no other current department recommendations. Other equivalent courses may be listed in the degree requirements.
- Completion of an approved NCCCS AA or AS waives the General Education requirement. For more information about the waiver, [click here](#).
- For more information about General Education Core Requirements at ECU, and a list of specific course options, click [here](#).
- You do not have to complete all NCCCS equivalents or recommended courses before transferring. However, taking minimal recommendations may prolong your time to degree at ECU.

Degree Requirements

General Education Core Requirements

40 semester hours credit required; completion of an approved AA or AS waives this requirement, with the exception of Health Promotion and Health-Related Physical Activity.

Competency	Semester Hour Credits Required	Notes
Written Communication	6	<i>ENG 111 and ENG 112 should be taken at the community college to satisfy this competency.</i>
Humanities & Fine Arts	9	<i>At least one class should be labeled as Humanities (HU) and one should be labeled as Fine Arts (FA).</i>
Social Sciences	9	<i>History is not considered a social science at ECU.</i>
Natural Sciences	7	<i>One course must include a lab.</i>
Mathematics	3	<i>Choose MAT 143 or MAT 171.</i>
Health Promotion and Health-Related Physical Activity	3	<i>HEA 110 should be taken at the community college to satisfy this competency.</i>

General Education Specific Requirements	<p>As part of the General Education Core, please complete these courses:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">MATH 1065 - College Algebra or MATH 2127 - Basic Concepts of Mathematics</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">PSYC 1000 - Introductory Psychology Choose a literature course (GE:HU)</p>	<p><i>NCCCS Equivalents</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>MAT 171</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>PSY 150</i> <i>ENG 231, 232,</i> <i>241, or 242</i></p>
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Professional Studies	<p>Complete 29 hours.</p> <p>HDFS 2123 - Early Experience in Birth through Kindergarten Education</p> <p>HDFS 4123 - Learning Environments and Teaching Methods in Early Childhood Education</p> <p>HDFS 4324 - Internship in Birth Through Kindergarten Education</p> <p>HDFS 4325 - Internship Seminar: Issues in Birth-Kindergarten Education</p> <p>EDTC 4001 - Technology in Education</p> <p>EDUC 3002 - Introduction to Diversity</p> <p>EDUC 3200 - Foundations of American Education</p> <p>READ 3301 - Reading Instruction in the Primary Grades</p> <p>SPED 2000 - Introduction to Exceptional Children</p>	<p><i>NCCCS Equivalents</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>EDU 216</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>EDU 161</i></p>
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Specialty Area Studies	<p>Complete 45 hours.</p> <p>HDFS 1103 - Individual, Family, and Romantic Relationships</p> <p>HDFS 2000 - Child Development I: Prenatal Through Early Childhood</p> <p>HDFS 2001 - Child Development II: Middle Childhood Through Young Adulthood</p>	<p><i>NCCCS Equivalents</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>EDU 144</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>EDU 145</i></p>
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	<p>HDFS 2124 - Interaction Techniques for Working with Young Children</p> <p>HDFS 3150 - Introduction to Early Childhood Intervention</p> <p>HDFS 3306 - Guiding Children's Behavior</p> <p>HDFS 3321 - Infant and Toddler Curriculum</p> <p>HDFS 3715 - Global Perspectives in Early Childhood</p> <p>HDFS 4121 - Social Studies, Math, and Science Curriculum in Early Childhood</p> <p>HDFS 4122 - Language and Literacy Curriculum in Early Childhood</p> <p>HDFS 4200 - Assessing Development and Learning in the Early Childhood Classroom</p> <p>HDFS 4201 - Assessment for Intervention</p> <p>HDFS 4300 - Birth through Kindergarten Curriculum Adaptations for Diverse Learners</p> <p>HDFS 4320 - Practicum in Teaching Birth-Kindergarten in the Public Schools</p> <p>HDFS 4406 - Parent-Professional Collaboration</p> <p>HDFS 4408 - Administration of Programs for Young Children</p>	<p><i>EDU 284</i></p> <p><i>EDU 220</i></p> <p><i>EDU 146</i></p> <p><i>EDU 234</i></p> <p><i>EDU 261 & 262</i></p>
<p>Advisor approved electives to complete graduation requirements</p>	<p>Hours vary.</p>	

Potential 2 Year Map for BS Birth-Kindergarten Teacher Education

An example of courses to take at your community college.

First Semester at NCCCS Institution

NCCCS Course	ECU Transfer Equivalent
ENG 111	ENGL 1100
PSY 150	PSYC 1000
MAT 171	MATH 1065
HEA 110	HLTH 1000/KINE 1000
ACA 122	COAD 1XXX (elective credit)

Second Semester at NCCCS Institution

NCCCS Course	ECU Transfer Equivalent
Humanities/Fine Arts Course	
Natural Sciences Course	
EDU 216	EDUC 3200
General Education Course	
Social Behavioral Science Course	

Third Semester at a NCCCS Institution

NCCCS Course	ECU Transfer Equivalent
ENG 112	ENGL 2201
Humanities/Fine Arts Course or 2 nd Math course	
General Education Course	
EDU 144	HDFS 2000

Fourth Semester at a NCCCS Institution

NCCCS Course	ECU Transfer Equivalent
EDU 145	HDFS 2001
ENG 231, 232, 241, or 242	ENGL 3020, ENGL 2XXX, ENGL 3000, or ENGL 3010
General Education Course	
Social Behavioral Science Course or 2 nd Science course	

- Schedule at ECU will depend on courses completed at the community college and semester of entry (fall or spring).
- You should email hpadvising@ecu.edu as soon as possible for more specialized advising.
- This schedule is dependent on taking full-time course loads; however, it may not be realistic to take a full-time course load if you are working full-time or part-time, are a caregiver, or have other obligations. *Ask your advisor how you can be most successful.*